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MISCELLANEOUS COLONIAL DOCUMENTS.

FROM THE ORIGINALS IN THE VIRGINIA STATE ARCHIVES.

PETITION OF GODFREY POLE[1] FOR LICENSE TO PRACTICE LAW, 1715.

To the Hono'ble Alexander Spotswood his Majesties Lieut. Governor of his Colony and Dominion of Virginia, And to the Hono'ble the Council of the Colony & Dominion aforesaid—

The Humble Petition of Godfrey Pole.

Sheweth

That your Petitioner duely served as Clerke to our Attorney

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[1] Godfrey Pole was clerk of the Committee on Propositions and Grievances of the House of Burgesses from 1718 to 1727, inclusive, and was clerk of Northampton county from June, 1722, to his death, which occurred a short time before January 13, 1729-30. His private papers, which had been left in the Northampton clerk's office, included many interesting legislative documents, and also indicated that for several years before and after 1720 he was a lawyer in extensive practice in the General and County Courts.

In 1836 Mr. N. J. Winder, clerk of Northampton, presented many of the Pole papers to the Virginia Historical Society. A number of them have been published. His library, of which a catalogue is among the papers given to this Society, had the honor to include, as far as the records examined show, the first copies of Chaucer and of Milton's Paradise Lost which were in Virginia. The catalogue is as follows:

[Endorsed] POLE'S LIBRARY.

A Catalogue of Books belonging to Godfrey Pole now at the House of Mr. James Burwell *1716*.

In Folio.

1: 2 Keebles Statutes at large to the End of Charles 2d.
3 Statutes Jacobi 2 di.
4 Acts and Ordinances in the time of the Rebellion.
5-6 My Lord Coke's Institutes 1st & 2d. C. C.
7 Do. first part Old. Lent Mr. Burwell, James.
8, 9, 10 Lord Crooks Reports 3 Volumes C. C.

of Bernards Inn in England for the Space of Five years, and since that time for fourteen years & upwards hath practiced

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11 Dalton's Justice.
12 Herne's Pleader.
13 Thesaurus Brevium. ☞ l.
14 Chaucer's Works—Lent to Dr. Cock.
15 Cowley's Works—["Lent to Mr. Goodwyn," erased].
16 York Heraldry—["Lent to Dr. Cocke," erased] stet ut ante.
17 An Old Comon Prayer Book (new bound).
18 History of Venice by Howell—Lent Mrs. Ferguson.

In Quarto.

19–20 2 Dictionarys.
21 Godolphin's Orphan's Legacy.
22 Swinbourne of Wills.
23 Compleat Clerke being a book of Instruments &c.
24 Brownlows Entrys English.
25 Attorneys Academy Old.
26 Bpp. Taylor's Great Exemplar.
27 Accedence of Armory.
28 A Turkey Leather Bible Old.

In large Octavo.

29 Cursons office of Executor. Opt. Edit.
30 Style's practical Reg'r.
31 Trials p. pais.
32 Exec'rs Law.
33 Law of Infants.
34 Treatise of Trover.
35 Law of Obligations.
36 Molloy de Jure Maritimo JW.
37 Fitzherberts Natura Brium.
38 Laws of Virginia &c.
39 Compleat Conveyances.
40 Rules and Orders of Comon pleas.
41 Parson's Councellor p. Degg.
42 Institutio Legtis.
43 Modus Intrandi.
44 Doctrine of Demurrers WN.
45 46 Abridgm't of Statutes Wm. & Mary 2 vols.
47 Law Terms—ill bound.
48 Abridgm't of Crooks Reports.
49 Do. my Lord Cokes.
50 Do. my Lord Dyers.

as an Attorney or Entring Clerke in the Court of Common pleas there; Which your Petitioner can make Appear to be true by

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In Octavo.

51 Virgil in Usum Delphini. J. B.
52 Letters French & English.
53 present State of Virginia. M. C.
54 Dr. Taylor's Holy Living and Dying.
55 Whole Duty of Man.
56 Lord Chief Justice Hale's Life. J. B.
57 Creeche's Horace in English.
58 Hobbs Homer's Odyssey in English.
59 Hale's pleas of the Crown.
60 Do. — — — E. J.
61 Bpp. Bath and Wells Exposition of Church Catecism.
62 Brown of Fines.
63 Townsends preparative.
64 Ridleys View of the Civil Law. O. L. J.
65 Sheppard of Slander.
66 Ariana Clericulea. J T.
67 Historical Collections out of Protestant Historians. J S.
68 Young Clerk's Tutor.
69 Humane Prudence.
70 Exact Constable.
71 Instructor Clericalis.
72 Law Terms. Old Edit.
73 Parkins Law French English'd. J T.
74 Wentworth & Manlys Office of Exec'rs.
75 Gentleman's Recreation ——— Gave Mr. J. Burwell.
76 Do. Old Edit.
77 Clerk's Guide.
78 Compleat Attorney. (Old Edit.)
79 Horace Juvenall & Persius with Bond's Notes.
80 Do. Manly.
81 Noys Law of Tenures. J. T.
82 Weeks preparations for the Sacram't.
83 Advice to those who never rec'd the Sacram't.
84 Doctor & Student.
85 Draytons poems.
86 Howell's Letters—Lent Dr. Allen.
87 Grounds of ye Contempt of the Clergy.
88 Martiall's Epigrams.
89 Do. Old.
90 English Interpreter (old).
91 English Liberty. J. T.

some persons of good Credit & repute now resident within this Colony.

Wherefore your Petitioner humbly hopes he is well qualified to practice as an Attorney in the Courts within this Colony And begs your Hono'rs Approbation in the pr'misses.

And your Petitioner shall pray &c.

[Endorsed]

Godfrey Pole's pet'n for License to plead. October, 1715.

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92 Erasmus.
93 Hudibras—(opt. Edit.)
94 Lucan's Pharsalia.
95 Virgil in English—Lent Mr. R. Armistead.
96 Seneca's Tragedy.
97 Justin. In 12 mo.
98 Suetonius. "
99 Virgil (Elzivir Edit.) "
100 Do. Ovid Tristium Amorum &c. "
101 Ovid Metamorph. (old Edit.) "
102 Comon prayer Book.
103 Bpp. Andrew's Devotions.
104 Davenant on Resumptions—Lent Mann Page Esq.
105 Rehearsalls of Lesly—Do.
106 Annals of Queen Ann—Lent Capt. Randolph.
107 My Lord Bacon's Essays—Lent to Do.
108 Puffendorff's History of Europe—Lent to Do.
109 Gentleman's Calling—Lent to Do.
110 Waller's Poems—Lent Orlando Jones.
111 Milton's Paradise Lost.—["Lent Mr. * * *" (illegible) erased].
112 Dr. Sherlock on Death—Lent Major Burwell's Lady.
113 Latin Testament—in 12 mo.
114 Officium Clerici pacis—["Lent the Attorney General" erased].
115 The Chirurgions Vade Mecum—["Lent David Wilkinson, M. D," erased].

The names or initials following titles show when books had been lent.

The will of Godfrey Pole was dated December 14 and proved in Northampton county January 13, 1729. His legatees were his godson, William Tazewell, goddaughters Esther and Elizabeth Cable (?), and son, George Pole. Col. John Robins and Col. Thomas Cable (?), executors.

PETITION OF HENRY HOLDCRAFT FOR LICENCE TO PRACTICE LAW, 1715.

To the Hono'ble Alexander Spotswood his Ma'ties Lieut. Governor of Virginia and the Hono'ble Council of State.

The Petition of Henry Holdcraft humbly Sheweth—

That your Petitioner hath Observed your Hono'rs Order Whereby all persons are forbidden the practice of the Law as Attorneys untill they obtain your Hono'rs Approbation And Whereas your Petitioner hath for this tenn or twelve years last past practiced as an Attorney not only in the Hono'ble Generall Court but in divers other County Courts of this Colony And gotten the Chief part of his Maintenance thereby. And Whereas the Hono'ble Lieut. Governor hath lately been pleased to direct his Commission to your Petitioner to Impower him in the Abscence of the Kings Attorney Generall to prosecute all Suits in his Ma'ties behalf in the Courts of James City and New Kent And your petitioner hath Accordingly appeared and prosecuted.

Wherefore and for that your Petitioner hath discharged himself with Integrity to all for whome he hath been concern'd According to the best of his Skill & knowledge And for that your Petitioner hath a large Family & little besides his practice to maintain them, Your Petitioner humbly begs your Hono'rs will approve of your petitioner to practice as formerly.

And your Petitioner as in duty bound shall pray &c.

[Endorsed]

Pet'n Henry Holdcraft for Licence to practice, October 1715.

MINUTES OF COUNCIL, APRIL, 1716 (?).

The Governor acquainting the Council that by the publick prints lately arrived he had received the happy news of the Success[2] of his Majesties Forces against the Rebells in Scotland and that he judged it fit that this Board should Congratulate his

[2] The battle of Sheriffmuir, fought on November 13, 1715, followed not long afterwards by the complete collapse of the Jacobite revolt. The Pretender, who had landed in Scotland on December 22d, gave up the cause as lost for the time, and departed for France on February 4th. Probably news of this had reached Virginia.

Majesty on this Occasion for w'ch purpose he had prepared an address which he laid before the Council and the same being read was approved of and ordered to be fairly Transcribed for the Governor & Council's Signing.

Mr. Attorney Gen'll Mr. Holloway & Mr. Beverley to whom it was referred to prepare a Scheme for the Better qualifying persons practising as Attorneys having reported their Opinion therein the same is referred to the next meeting of a full Council.

Charles Chiswell having petitioned for a Grant of 100 foot in length and 80 foot in bredth of vacant Ground under the bank in York Town for the conveniency of building a Warehouse & wharf into the River and John Lewis Esq'r entring a Caveat against any Grant of Land there above high Water mark It is Ordered that the petition be deferred till the right of the said Land is determined.

On the petition of Robert Slaughter[8] praying directions may be given for issuing the proper Process for the summoning Edward Jeffreys of London Esq'r to appear before this Gen'll Court to show cause why a Tract of Land held by him in Essex County ought not to be forfeited for non payment of the Quitt rents that the pet'r may be enabled to sue out a Grant of ye s'd Land, It is Referred to Mr. Attorney Gen'll . . . the Case set forth in the s'd Petition, and to Report his opinion thereon.

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[8] The will of Robert Slaughter was dated February 3, 1725, and proved in Essex county August 16, 1726. His legatees were his wife Frances, son Francis (to whom he gave 1,000 acres in the fork of Rappahannock), son Robert and son Thomas (to whom he gave land in the mountains. &c.) Robert Slaughter's wife Frances is stated by the late Capt. Mercer Slaughter to have been shown by documentary evidence to have been a daughter of Col. Cadwallader Jones, of Stafford county. The son Francis was married twice. There is a marriage contract, dated July 11, 1711, in Richmond county between him and Ann Hudson, and in Spotsylvania, June 3, 1729, is the marriage bond of Francis Slaughter and Ann Lightfoot. The marriage licence of Robert Slaughter, Jr., was recorded in Spotsylvania June 7, 1723, and on November 1, 1726, Augustine Smith, gent., of Spotsylvania, sold to his daughter Mary, wife of Robert Slaughter, 432 acres in the fork of Rappahannock.

The published accounts of the Slaughter family are all exceedingly deficient in details, dates and references to authority; but the best is in Green's *Culpeper County*, 84-95.

The following Warrants to be paid out of his Maj'tys Revenue of 2s. ℔ hhd. &c., were this day signd by the Governor in Council viz:

Out of the Two shillings ℔ Hogshead &c.

To the Hon'ble Alexand'r Spotswood His Ma'tys Lieut. Gov'r three Warrant for One year & a half Sallary ending the twenty fifth of April 1716 Three thousand pounds.

To the Hon'ble Alexander Spotswood His Majestys Lieutenant Gov'r for One year & a half house rent ending ye same time Two hundred-twenty five pounds.

To the Gentlemen of His Maj'ties Council One year & a half Sallary ending the same time Five hundred & fifty pounds.

To William Blathwayt Esq'r Auditor Gen'll of the Plantations for one year and a half Sallary ending the same time One hundred and fifty pounds.

To Nathaniel Blakistone Esq'r Sollicitor Gen'll of the Virginia Affairs[4] One year & a half Sallary ending ye same time One hundred and fifty pounds.

To John Clayton Esq'r His Majesties Attorney Gen'll for One year & a half Sallary ending the same time Sixty pounds.

To William Robertson Clerk of His Majesties Council One year & a half Sallary ending the same time One hundred & fifty pounds.

To Edwards Ross Gunner, at James City One year & a half Sallary ending the same time fifteen pounds.

To Daniel Jones Armourer at Williamsburgh One year & a half Sallary ending the same time Eighteen pounds.

To ye Judges Clerks & Officers of ye Court of Oyer & Terminer held [before the] in June 1715 One hundred pounds.

To severall Ministers for their Attendance on Generall Courts & Assemblys Pending the same time Twenty five pounds.

To the King of the Saraw Indians and three of his Men who came in to treat of a Piece as a Reward for their Fidelity Three pounds seventeen shil'g & 3 pence.

To William Robertson for so much paid and advanced by him for Listing & Transporting Soldiers to South Carolina & for

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[4]Agent for Virginia in London.

other Contingencies One hundred Eighty six pounds Eight shillings.

And Out of the Quitt Rents.

To Mr. Commissary Blair One-year and a half Sallary ending ye same time One hundred & fifty pounds.

To John Clayton Esq'r His Maj'ties Attorney Gen'll One year & a half additional Sallary ending the same time Ninety pounds.

The Acco'ts of his Majestys Revenue of 2s. ℔ hhd. &c. from the 25th of October 1714 to the 25th of April 1715, from the s'd 25th of April 1715 to the 25th of October following, and from the s'd 25th of October to the 25th of April 1716 being attested by the Auditor were presented by Nathaniel Harrison Esq'r Deputy Receiver Gen'll and Certifyed by the Gov'r in the usual Forme.

Charles Anderson attorney of Collo. Edward Hill by his petition setting forth that the s'd Hill having taken up & Surveyed a Tract of 400 acres of land in King Wm. County did assign his pretensions thereto to Thos. Carr, and praying that a Patent for the s'd land may be granted to the s'd Carr. It is accordingly Ordered that the s'd Thos. Carr have a Patent for the s'd four hundred acres of Land in his name according to the assignment thereof made by the s'd Edward Hill in his s'd Survey more than is expressed in his former patent.

A Patent for John Sutton & Michael Jenings in K. Wm. County was this day Signed by the Governor in Council.

The Governor in Council was pleased to nominate the following persons to be Sherifs for the ensuing year Viz—

Henrico—Joseph Royal.
Prince George—Richard Hamlin.
Surry—Robert Wyn
Isle of Wight—Thomas Walton.
Nansemond—John Wright.
Norfolk—John Halstead.
Princess Anne—Henry Chapman.
Eliza' City—Simon Hollier.
Warwick—Thomas Haynes Jun'r.
York—Henry Taylor.

James City—Mungo Engles.
New Kent—John Scott.
Charles City—Rich'd Bradford.
King William—John Chiles.
King & Queen—Jeremiah Clowder.
Glouster—Henry Willis.
Middlesex—George Wortham.
Essex—Thomas Catlett.
Richmond—Alexander Donaphan.
Lancaster— ——— Ball.
Northumberland—Peter Hack.
Westmoreland—Benja. Berryman.
Stafford—Henry Fitzhugh.
Accomack—John Watts.
Northampton—Hilary Stranger.

On the petition of Thomas Jones Merchant leave is Granted him to take up & patent 2500 Acres of Land lying in Nansemond County. This Board being satisfied of his ability to Cultivate the same according to Law.

New Commissions of the peace for the Countys of Middlesex King & Queen and Westmoreland were this day Ordered to be issued with the addition of Sundry new Justices.

INSTRUCTIONS TO JAMES ROSCOW,[5] RECEIVER GENERAL.

Virginia

By His Majesties Lieutenant Governour and Commander in Chief of this Dominion.

Whereas by Commission under his Majesties Royal Sign Manual you are Constituted Receiver Generall of all his Majesties Revenues arising within this Colony And Whereas you have

[5] In 1716, William Byrd, who had been for some years Receiver General of Virginia, sold that office to James Roscow for £500. There had been great antagonism between Byrd and Governor Spotswood, and the former was no doubt glad to be rid of an office which had given him so much trouble. Of course such sales had to be with consent of government. James Roscow was commissioned March 26, 1716, and admitted to the office on January 22, 1717. For an account of the Roscow family, see this Magazine, VII, 285, 286.

declared to me that you received no Instructions for yo'r direction in the execution of the s'd Office, I have therefore thought fitt to communicate to you the 29th 81st & 125th—of His Majesties Instructions to the Governour for the time being relating to the s'd Revenues, and contained in the annexed Copy: to the end you may be the better informed what it is His Ma'ty expects as to the Receipts & payments of and the due accounting for the said Revenues.

And Whereas by the 29th Instruction you will perceive that his Majesty requires on pain of his Highest displeasure that fair books of Accompts be kept of all Receipts & payments of His Maj'ties said Revenues: And in regard you have in like manner declared to me that you received no books or Accompts of any branch of the s'd Revenues from William Byrd Esq'r late Receiver Gen'll before your departure from England, You are therefore to demand of Nathaniel Harrison Esq'r who acted as Deputy for the s'd William Byrd during his absence all books which he hath of the said Revenues or any branch thereof, and to take the same into yo'r Custody for his Ma'tys Service particularly.

And to the end you may the better know what Accompts of his Majesties Revenues ought to be kept in distinct books, You are to understand, You are to demand the book or books wherein the Accompts of his Ma'tys Revenue of Quitt Rents are kept, the book or books w'ch contain the Accompts of Lands found to escheat to his Majesty and of the Compositions paid for the same; the book or books containing the Accompts of his Ma'tys Revenue of two shill's ℔ hogshead, and of the Port dutys & head money; the book or books containing the Acco't of all Fines & forfeitures accruing due to his Majesty, and of the moneys received for the same; the book or books containing the Accompts of all Rights issued for & money rec'd for ye Sale of his Ma'tys Lands, and the book or books w'ch contain ye Gen'll Acco'ts of the Receipts & paym'ts of ye s'd Revenue Acc't. Of all books you shall receive you are to deliver to me in Council a true and perfect Inventory under your hand: Expressing the title of each book and the time of its Commencement and ending. And in case there shall not

be delivered to you such distinct books as are herein before mentioned of the severall branches of his Ma'tys Revenue, You are then together with the aforesaid Inventory, to make report to me under your hand and what particular Answer the s'd Deputy Receiver Generall shall give you in relation to such books . . . Whether he knows where the same are or whether any such Books have ever been kept.

[Endorsed]

King's Instructions to the Gov'r commun'd to Mr. Roscow, Rec'r Gen'll together w'th Orders for demanding books. Aprill 1717.

PETITION OF JOHN TYLER.

To the Hon'rable his Majesties Lieu't Govern'r of Virg'a in Council.

The Humble petition of John Tyler sheweth

That on the 23d day of October 1719 being the Anniversary of his Majesties Coronation,[6] Priemus a Negro Slave of very Great Value belonging to yo'r petitioner, in firing the Great Guns in W'msburg, had his Right Arm shot off, and in other parts of his body was so maimed and wounded, that he hath ever since been a charge to ye petitioner.

That he did petition the Last Gen'ral Assembly for Relief herein and was allowed only thirty pounds One half of which your pet'r hath paid for the care of said wounds.

Yo'r petitioner therefore prays that yo'r Hon'rs will make him Such further allowance as you shall think Reasonable.

And yo'r petitioner shall ever pray &c.

[Endorsed]

Tylers petition.

BOND OF GEORGE WALKER AS GUNNER AND STOREKEEPER OF THE FORT AT POINT COMFORT, 1721.

Know all men by these presents That I, George Walker of the

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[6] That of George I, crowned in October, 1714.

County of Elizabeth City Gent am held & firmly bound unto our Soveraign Lord George by the grace of God of Great Britain France and Ireland King defender of the faith &c in the sum of One hundred pounds lawful money of Great Britain To be paid to our said Lord the King his heirs or Successors To the which payment well and truly to be made I bind myself my heirs Executors & Admin'rs firmly by these presents.

Seal'd with my Seal Dated this first day of Novem'r in the eighth year of the reign of our said Lord the King Anno Dn 1721.

The Condition of this obligation is such That whereas the above bound George Walker is by the hon'ble Alexand'r Spotswood his Ma'tys Lieu't Gov'r and Commander in Chief of the Colony and Dominion of Virginia appointed Gunner & Storekeeper of the Battery at Point Comfort If therefore the said George Walker shal well and truly execute that office during his continuance therein, and shal safely keep and preserve all the Stores of war w'ch shal be delivered to him (fire storms & casualty excepted) and shal from time to time when thereunto required render a just and true acco't of the expence of the said Stores, and the residue thereof shal deliver (when required) to such person as shal be appointed to receive the same and shal not embezill or willfully suffer or permit the same to be embezilled.

Then this obligation to be void or else to remain in full force and virtue.

G. WALKER.

Seal'd & delivered in presence of
Wil Robertson.
Tho: Crew.

[Endorsed]

George Walkers bond for gunner & Store keeper of the battery at point Comfort. 1721.

[The signature is a fac-simile of that to the petition ending on page 86.]

[Seal bears Spotswood crest, and motto, "Patior ut potior."]

PROPOSALS IN REGARD TO HOLDING LAND ON ENTRYS OR SURVEYS.[1]

Proposals humbly offered to the Hon'ble the Lieut. Governor by the Officers of His Majesties Revenue for preventing the undue practice of holding Land upon Entrys or Surveys.

That the several Surveyors of the Frontier Counties be obliged to render to the Auditor as soon as possible, a just & true Acco't of the Surveys performed by them in pursuance of Government. And that they give publick Notice at the Respective County Court houses of the Laps of all such Grants or Entrys as by Law and the present Orders of Government are become Void, and that they receive Entrys for the same in Common form.

That for the future when any person obtains leave of the Government to take up Land, the following Conditions may be Expressed in the Grant or Licence.

1st. That he Immediately deliver a Copy of the said Grant to the Auditor.

2nd. That he deliver the Original with a full Number of Rights to the Surveyor of the County within three Months.

3rd. That if the survey is not compleated within One year from the date of the Grant that the same shall be void, unless it shal appear that the same has been obstructed by the death of the party or surveyor or other inavoidable accident.

That the Surveyors be obliged to deliver to the Auditor in April annually a List of all Surveys performed by them denoting for whom the Survey was made, the Quantity of Land Surveyed, and the time he delivered out the Survey and Platt.

That the Surveyors Receive no Entrys without Rights, unless His Majesty is graciously pleased to grant a Release thereof in the Counties of Brunswick and Spotsylvania. And that they be strictly enjoined Constantly to give publick Notice of the Lapse of all Entrys at the first Court after the same shall happen.

[Endorsed]

Proposals offered by the Officers of the Revenue. 1723.

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[1] This proposition was intended to remedy the troubles constantly arising from disputed titles to lands obtained or claimed by patent.

PETITION OF THOMAS, RICHARD AND JOHN RIPLEY.

To the Honourable Hugh Drysdale his Majestys Lieut. Governor and Commander in Chief of the Colony and Dominion of Virginia.

The Petition we Thomas Ripley, Richard Ripley, and John Ripley of ye County of Essex Right and Humbly Sheweth to your Honor—

that Thomas Ripley one of your said Petitioners did misbehave himself by Quareling and fighting where upon complaint was made to ye Gent'n of the County Court, and your said Petitioner with my two brothers Rich'd & John my Securitys were bound in a bond to our Sovereign Lord the King in ye Sum of Sixty pounds Sterling money, and since I being greatly urged and Challenged by some Evil and Indisposed persons I did forfeit the said bond and am with my Securitys prosecuted and Execution awarded against our bodys. And So it is may it please your Honour that we your Petitioners being very poor and having little or no Estates to maintain our Selves and familys having great Charges of Children, and not able to pay the said fine, and regain our Lost Libertys, we your unfortunate poor Petitioner do therefore most Implore Your Honours favour to Remit us the said fine and grant us our former Libertys.

And we in all Submission as in Duty bound Shall Ever Pray.

[Endorsed]

Thos. Ripley &c a Pet'n. 1722–1726.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)